

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

RYSTA LEONA SUSMAN, both,) CASE NO8:18-cv-00127
individually and as Legal)
Guardian of SHANE ALLEN)
LOVELAND, et al.,)

Plaintiffs,) VIDEO DEPOSITION
OF RYAN SCARLETT

vs.)

THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER)
COMPANY,)

Defendant.)

VIDEO DEPOSITION OF RYAN SCARLETT, taken
before Jennifer R. McCarter, Professional Court
Reporter and General Notary Public within and for
the State of Nebraska, beginning at 10:38 a.m.,
October 15, 2019, at Jacobsen, Orr, Lindstrom &
Holbrook, P.C., L.L.O., 322 West 39th Street,
Kearney, Nebraska.

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1 Q And so I want you to know that if for some
2 reason you don't understand my question, let me know
3 that.

4 A Okay.

5 Q I'll be happy to restate it for you, okay?

6 A Okay.

7 Q So tell me just again, do you live here in
8 the Kearney area?

9 A Yes, sir.

10 Q All right. How long have you lived here?

11 A Twenty-two years.

12 Q Okay. Were you born and raised in
13 Nebraska?

14 A Yes, sir.

15 Q Okay. Where was your home or where were
16 you born?

17 A Bartlett, Nebraska.

18 Q Okay. I don't know where Bartlett is. I
19 should know maybe, but I don't.

20 A Very small town 75 miles north of
21 Grand Island on 281.

22 Q Okay. And then did you come from Bartlett
23 to Kearney?

24 A Yes.

25 Q And how long have you lived in -- Well,

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1 22 years, you said.

2 A 22 years, yep.

3 Q What is your educational background?

4 A My educational background, graduated from
5 high school, a couple years in college. That's it.

6 Q Okay. Did you complete college or get
7 a --

8 A No.

9 Q -- an associate's degree or anything?

10 A No.

11 Q What did you study in college?

12 A Psychology.

13 Q And then, as I understand it, you are the
14 current owner of Kearney Towing & Repair Center,
15 Inc.; is that correct?

16 A Yes.

17 Q And I understand that you purchased that
18 business in approximately April of 2014?

19 A Correct.

20 Q Okay. What did you do before that?

21 A I worked for the company.

22 Q When did you start working at Kearney?

23 A Well, previous to that I had eight or nine
24 years at another repair shop in town; and then
25 Kearney Towing & Repair, I think it was nine years

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1 before I purchased it is how long I worked there.

2 Q Okay. So let me try to back this up and
3 see if I understand the sequencing here. You were
4 working for another repair shop in town for eight or
5 nine years before going to Kearney, correct?

6 A Uh-huh.

7 Q Is that yes?

8 A Yes.

9 Q All right. And the reason why I say that
10 is because for our court reporter, she needs take it
11 down --

12 A Yeah.

13 Q -- verbally? Thanks. So then you go to
14 Kearney and you work there for about nine years
15 before you bought the business in April 2014?

16 A Correct.

17 Q Who did you buy it from?

18 A Sam Pierce.

19 Q To the best of your knowledge was Sam the
20 original owner?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Okay.

23 A Partnership prior to that between him and
24 another guy, but he solely owned it when I started
25 working for him.